

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

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--This application is a continuation of co-pending Application Serial No. 09/837,561, filed on April 18, 2001, which is, in turn, a continuation application of Application Serial No. 09/693,597, filed October 20, 2000, now abandoned; which, in turn, is a Divisional of Application Serial No. 09/390,161, filed September 3, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,197,585, issued March 6, 2001; which is a continuation of Application Serial No. 08/836,440, filed May 8, 1997, now abandoned; and which is, in turn, based on International Application PCT/GB95/02591, filed November 3, 1995, and claiming priority to Great Britain Application No. 9422523.2, filed November 8, 1994, and Great Britain Application No. 9510555.7, filed May 24, 1995. Priority under 35 U.S.C §§119 and 120 is claimed, and the entire contents of all of the above applications are incorporated herein by reference in their entireties.--

Insert after the claims as Page 35 the following:

**--Abstract**

A method for producing human cell lines by immortalising a precursor or undifferentiated cell with a controllable immortalising agent, culturing the cell to provide a cell population, and terminating immortalisation to allow differentiation.--